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SUBJECT: A Tentative Comparison of the Costs of the Various Soviet Military Missions

1. Over the recent past we have received several indications that it would be useful to have a comparison of the various Soviet military missions in terms of expenditures. The attachment to this memorandum provides such a comparison, tentatively based on the estimates which underlie the ORR contribution to NIE 11-4-59, Main Trends in Soviet Capabilities and Policies, 1959-64, adjusted for the changes indicated by NIE 11-3-60, Sino-Soviet Bloc Air Defence Capabilities Through Mid-1965.

2. It should be noted that the attachment does not reflect the newer estimate of Soviet military manpower made in SNIE 11-6-60, Strength of the Armed Forces of the USSR. Therefore, the numbers in the attachment should be regarded only as gross orders of relative magnitude which are subject to possible significant revisions.

3. On the occasion of our contribution to NIE 11-4-60 we plan to provide a revision of the table in the attachment. Any comments which might lead to improvement should be addressed to [REDACTED] code 163, extension 3803.

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Enclosure:  
Attachment A